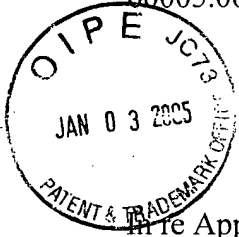


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PATENT APPLICATION



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In re Application of:

KATSUTOSHI SASAKI ET AL.

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicants petition to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated July 1, 2004 to January 1, 2005. A check in the amount of \$1020.00 for payment of the extension fee is enclosed. Please charge any additional fee required for the extension in connection with this paper, and credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 06-1205.

In response to the Office Action dated July 1, 2004 (Paper No. 604), please amend

the application as follows:

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